

I am a former corporate facility development and construction manager and a private contractor/developer. I have lived in the Port Ludlow Community since 2003 and served on the LMC and PLVC Boards. I am concerned with both the long range success of our community and fiscal responsibility.

The recent debate in the North Bay community about an expensive Port Ludlow Drainage District project involving the removal of hundreds of trees and subsequent drainage control construction raises the issue of how a bureaucracy with the power to spend other people's money can fall into a pattern of needing to grow to feed itself.

In just ten years drainage PLDD projects have consumed over One Million dollars and additional loans have been made putting our community into debt.

I am offering to serve on this board in an effort take a serious look at what we are paying for and how new projects are conceived of and developed. We live in a county where voters have chosen to reject business growth which puts a greater responsibility upon elected officials when it comes to managing limited and dwindling tax revenues. I believe the growing indebtedness of the PLDD needs attention and more community involvement. My goal would be to retire existing debt before new projects are invented and even then, only when serious need and eminent threat to private property is proven.